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My Dear Garrison

I did not think any thing could induce me to write to you except to reply to those dear, I need not, I know, assure you that it is from any unfriendly feeling towards you, that I do not write, In the first place, I feel incapability to write a letter that can be of any interest to any friend in the second place it is unknown for me to write, to a degree that I cannot expect to you, and I could not, however with the occasional reading your speech at New York, do up than obey an impulse I felt to thank you for it. Oh, it is delightful in this unbelieving age to find that faith in truth, you cannot

imagine how I am cheered by your word. It is now my friend ten years since I first heard your speak & heard for an instant did I doubt your disinterestedness, or your faith in Truth. I dont believe you ever suspected me of any ulterior object, in my humble advocacy of the cause, but of all first you did, which I dont believe, for years. I know you & talk not, & with you & Phillips, Jackson, Pillsbury Quincy & D. Foster of what need is there that I should correspond? Your time & strength employed thus writing to me, or even in reading my letters, I cannot expect & you the important with which I regard the progress

of the discussion & the compromise
& abolitionists, neither is it more
easy to find language to
express to you my doubts of
Webb & politicians, you
have had a good many
hard things of these gentry
but you will have to invent
a new dictionary to describe
them truly. Even C. Parker
who may be said to be the
priest of the abolitionists
now he talks in his speech
in Faneuil Hall, he says
speaking of Massachusetts,
"I take pride & pleasure
in her noble Chivalry, which
rang with the glorious Cheers
of the children of God." Now
to me, friend Simon, this is all
stuff. what pertains to common
sense may not understand that
the ministers of the time should
be conformed to the public sentiment
by which they were surrounded
& who does not know that they

already. Did I already tell
you the same thing? I wrote
friend Phillips a letter to go
by this conveyance in which
I spoke of Parker's recent
sermon, which letter by the
way I think I told him
he might show you
if he supposed you would
care to see it. Since writing
the letter to Phillips I notice
that Parker in his sermon spoke
has talked in a very flattering
manner of Phillips. Now I don't
wish to know what Parker
thinks of F. W. Phillips, but I
should like to know what
he thinks of receiving to
his pulpit and private
consideration, with kindred
regard to your wife & the
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